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REMARKS***Status of the Application:***

Claims 1-30 are the claims of record of the application. Claims 1-3, 5-10, 12-19, 21-26 and 28-30 have been rejected and claims 4, 11, 20 and 27 have been objected to and would be allowable if written in independent form.

Amendment to the Claims:

Applicants have amended claims 4, 11, 20, and 27 so that the claims objected to are re-written in independent form, including all of the limitation of the parent independent claims and any intervening claims. Claims 4, 11, 20, and 27 are therefore now allowable. Allowance is respectfully requested.

Applicants have further amended pairs of claims (5,6); (12, 13), (21, 22), and (28, 29) to depend on now allowable claims 4, 11, 20, and 27 respectively, so that these claims are now allowable. Allowance is respectfully requested.

Applicants have further amended claims 15 and 16 that were claims with elements corresponding to means for performing the steps in method claim 1, to add to each of such claims 15 and 16 means for performing the elements of claims 2, 3, and 4. Because claim 4 was already stated to be allowable, claims 15 and 16 are each allowable. Allowance is respectfully requested.

In the interest of speeding up prosecution, all other rejected claims are cancelled.

For these reasons, and in view of the above amendment, this application is now considered to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Conclusion

The claims after amendment are claims 4-6, 11-13, 15-16, 20-22, and 27-29. These claims have been amended to a form the examiner has already stated makes these claims allowable.

The remaining claims are therefore allowable. Action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments that would advance the prosecution and allowance of this application, an email message to the undersigned at dov@inventek.com, or a telephone call to the undersigned at +1-510-547-3378 is requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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